

I have recently been made aware of the fact that the CONSUMER BANKERS ASSOCIATION is attempting to circumvent Indiana's Telephone Privacy laws citing the fact if a company has an existing relationship with a person that they should be able to make unsolicited calls. There are two points to consider that unless they are contacting a customer about a service or product they already have it isn't unsolicited but to contact them about anything else is spam and is restricted by the spirit and current wording of our law. Secondly, the way these companies are growing and consolidating a person may operate with one small branch of a company and then after merging with several other companies provide many other services that the customer isn't intersted in thus generating spam phone calls that are completely a nuisance to the public and even a danger to their freedoms. If we allow this hole in the law, then like a small whole in an earthen dam, soon the deluge will be unstoppable.

In short, I urge the that this the CONSUMER BANKERS ASSOCIATION not be allowed to change Indiana's Telephone Privacy laws.

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